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PROCLAMATION

Anent Paſſes and Paſſengers going from or coming into this Kingdom.

ANNE By the Grace of GOD, Queen of *Great Britain*, *France* and *Ireland* Defender of the Faith; To Macers of Our Privy Council, Meſſengers at Arms, Our Sheriffs in that part, conjunctly and ſeverally, ſpecially conſtitute, Greeting: *Whereas* We are informed of evil Deſigns and Practices ſet on Foot by Diſaffected Perſons for raiſing Inſurrections within this Our Kingdom, and procuring Invaſions thereof by Our declared Enemies; We have thought fit with advice of the Lords of Our Privy Council, To Command and Ordain, *Likeas* We hereby Command and Ordain all Maſters of Ships, either arrived ſince the firſt of *December* laſt, or arriving after the date hereof, To give an account of what Arms or Ammunition they may have Aboard, or may have brought Home, To the Magiſtrats and Collectors of the reſpective Ports where they arrive; As *alſo* of what Paſſengers they have brought or may bring Home with them from any Forraign Countries preſently or immediatly upon their Arrival; As *likeways*, That the ſaids Magiſtrats and Collectors do enquire after or ſearch the ſaid Ships, for an exact Diſcovery of what Arms and Ammunition they may have brought Home, or may have Aboard and give to the Clerks of Our Council a particular account thereof with all Diligence, and in the mean time that they ſecure the ſame; As *alſo*, that they take particular nottice of all the ſaids Paſſengers, eſpecially of ſuch as have been lately in, and maybe come from any of the Dominions of the *French* King, or may be otherwiſe ſuſpect, and take Security of them to appear before Our privy Council when called; Or otherwiſe, if they ſee Cauſe, that they detain them Priſoners, until Our Privy Council be acquainted and give their Orders in that matter: And we furder Command and Appoint all Maſters of Ships outward bound to any Forraign Countrey, to take no Paſſengers Aboard for their Tranſport, unleſs they produce Authentick paſſes from a privy Counſellor, the Sheriff of the Shire, or Magiſtrat of the Sea port whence they are bound: And that the ſaids Magiſtrats make a Record of all the ſaids Paſſengers and their Paſſes, to be exhibit upon demand; Certifying, all Maſters of Ships, and Magiſtrats who ſhall not obſerve, or who ſhall contraveen the premiſſes, that they ſhall be proceeded againſt by the Lords of Our privy Council and puniſhed with all rigour. *Our Will is Herefore*, and We Charge you ſtrictly and Command, that incontinent thir Our Letters ſeen, ye paſs to the Mercat Croſs of *Edinburgh*. and to the Mercat-croſſes of the remanent Sea-port Towns within this Kingdom aud other places needful, and thereat in Our Name and Authority make publick Intimation hereof, that none may pretend ignorance; and Ordains thir preſents to be printed and publiſhed; and Ordains Our Solicitors to tranſmit Copys hereof to the Magiſtrats of the ſeveral Sea-port Towns, and to the Surveyers of the Sea-ports, for their due Obſervance of the premiſſes.

Given under Our Signet at Edinburgh *the Tenth day of* January, *and of Our Reign the ſecond year* 1704.

Per Actum Dominorum Secreti Concilii.
GILB. ELIOT *Cls. Sti. Concili.*

GOD Save the Queen.

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